



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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To Each

and every one of our patrons and friends, and to the general public, we extend our heartiest good wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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WOMAN KILLS HER SON-IN-LAW.

Body Thrown in Pond—Woman's Cold Blooded Talk of Killing.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1.—Arrested within a few minutes after the bloody remains of her son-in-law, Frederick Wasserlaben, had been found in a pond near the western city limits, Mrs. Mary L. Godau last night made a full confession of the deed. Wasserlaben had been shot three times, twice through the head and once through the arm. The killing occurred at the home of Wasserlaben, after, according to the confession, insulting remarks were made to Mrs. Godau.

As a result of the alleged insult, Mrs. Godau says she saw Wasserlaben's gun in a hall rack, picked it up and returned to the room. "I raised the pistol, and, looking him straight in the face, pulled the trigger. I thought I would do a good job while I was at it, so I pulled the trigger again."

Subsequently, Mrs. Godau took the body in a wagon and dumped it into the pond, where it was discovered.

Last Husband Murdered.
Mrs. Godau has been married three times. Joseph Godau, her last husband, was murdered in a manner similar to the deed of to-day, but the grand jury failed to indict her. Another husband, named Steiner, mysteriously disappeared.

As a result of the finding of the badly mutilated body of Wasserlaben floating in a pool near the western limits of this city this morning, the dead man's wife and Mrs. Mary T. Godau, his mother-in-law, were placed under arrest, charged with the crime.

Two bullet wounds were found in the head and one in the arm of the dead man, and his head had been horribly battered, apparently with some blunt instrument.

Several hours after the finding of the body a number of garments saturated with blood were unearthed under the Wasserlaben home, about a mile from the pool where the body was found.

It was the theory that Wasserlaben was killed in his home and the body carried to the place where it was found. In an effort to avoid detection, it was believed the bloody clothing was brought back to the dead man's home and concealed.

Mrs. Wasserlaben, in a statement made before her mother's confession, declared that she knew nothing of the affair until advised of the finding of the body. She asserted that she last saw her husband at noon yesterday. Mrs. Godau at first refused to make any statement, but confessed later.

Banker's Wife Suicides.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Frederick T. Haskell, wife of the vice president of the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, died this afternoon at a hospital here. She had shot herself through the right temple.

Mrs. Haskell's friends say she had suffered from a slight indisposition, but had been always cheerful, and was apparently in the best of spirits last night and early to-day.

STILL ONE MORE HOMICIDE.

Young Henry Cheek Shot and Killed by a Child.

Henry Cheek, a young man of about 20 years of age, was shot and killed at the home of Tine Killburn, in the Wolf Stake section of Oconee, last Wednesday night. Statements made before the coroner's jury were very conflicting, but sufficient evidence was brought out to warrant the arrest of four members of the Killburn family. Those now in jail under indictment are Tine Killburn, Lillie Killburn, Henry and Jimmie Killburn, the latter a boy of about 15 years, who claims that he fired the shot that instantly killed young Cheek, by accident, not knowing that the gun he used was loaded. There is testimony to the contrary, however, one witness having told on the stand of threats made by the boy several days previous to the effect that he would kill Cheek.

The circumstances surrounding the killing are to the effect that the family had become obnoxious in the community and had been notified to leave, and that threats had been made that they would be forced to leave if they did not do so voluntarily. Young Cheek, it is claimed, went to the house supposedly as a friend to assist in resisting possible efforts to oust the family.

There are two other members of the family, a boy and a girl, and they, too, are at the jail, though not held as prisoners. They are about 11 and 12 years of age respectively, and having no one to care for them they are under the care of Sheriff Kay until some disposition can be made of them. Efforts are being made to have them admitted to the Rescue Orphanage at Columbia, but so far no definite arrangements have been perfected. In case they are not placed there they will be doubtless cared for at the county poor farm.

Young Henry Cheek was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cheek, who reside in the New Hope community. The deepest sympathy is felt for them in their sorrow.

The remains of young Cheek were interred in the cemetery of Wolf Stake Baptist church on Friday.

News Up On Little River.

Little River, Jan. 1.—Special: F. G. Holden, of Rabun county, Georgia, was visiting in this section during the holidays. He also visited his sister, Mrs. Burgess, of Jocassee, during his stay in South Carolina.

Fate Holden, of Georgia, was circulating in these parts the past week. Charlie Perry spent the latter part of last week in Pickens visiting relatives and friends.

Walter White, of Old Pickens, was here during Christmas.

Mrs. B. Smith and son, of Stamp Creek, spent the latter part of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Talley, and family.

Miss Alice Whitmore and two of her brothers, of Toxaway, and Miss Ella Hunter and brother Earle, of Salem, were guests at the home of J. H. Wigington during the holidays.

MEN HELD FOR DYNAMITING.

Three Union Leaders Indicted by Los Angeles Grand Jury.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 30.—Olaf A. Tveitmo, secretary-treasurer of the State Building Trades Council; J. E. Munsey, leader of the Salt Lake Union of Structural Iron Workers, and Anton Johannsen, organizer of the State Building Trades Council, were indicted to-day by the Federal grand jury in connection with the alleged nation-wide dynamiting conspiracy. Their arrest followed.

The three labor leaders have been here for some time as witnesses in the government dynamite inquiry and were arrested in the witness room in the Federal building a few minutes after the indictments were read.

They Were Not Surprised.
None of them expressed any surprise, and when told by Deputy United States Marshal Albert Sittell that they were under arrest for alleged complicity with the McNamara brothers and were wanted at once in the Federal Court, they proceeded without a word.

The charge against the three labor leaders is the general accusation of conspiracy to transport dynamite in violation of Inter-State commerce law. The true bills under which the men were taken prisoners were but a part of the packet containing an unknown number of indictments. Deputy marshals were sent out immediately and it was said other arrests were imminent, both here and in San Francisco.

The action of the grand jury affected Tveitmo. He was pale when taken into the United States marshal's office.

"Who will you have for your attorney?" Johannsen was asked.

"Blamed if I know; we've had too many attorneys already," he replied.

Bail, it was said, had been fixed at \$5,000 for each man, and Attorney Harriman, after a conference with the three prisoners, left the Federal building to obtain the security.

United States District Attorney A. I. McCormick announced that in addition to Tveitmo, Johannsen and Munsey, indictments returned by the grand jury named E. A. Clancy, the McNamara brothers, Ortle McManigal and Schmidt and Caplan.

"And the grand jury has not finished its investigation by any means," he said.

James A. Hoyt's Principles.

Columbia, Jan. 1.—The withdrawal of James A. Hoyt from the management of the Columbia Evening Record is generally supposed to be the outcome of his fight on the races at the fair grounds. While many persons condemned the races, others saw no harm therein and welcomed the expending of some \$25,000 a week in Columbia by outsiders.

Just how or in what manner Mr. Hoyt and some of the stockholders disagreed is not, of course, public property, but it is rumored that rather than sacrifice his convictions he concluded to sell his interests in the paper and retire. While races are over in Columbia, it is understood that Mr. Hoyt will not give up the fight and will endeavor to prevent the game from starting in Charleston.

Mr. Hoyt's retirement from the editorship of the Record was announced very briefly, as follows:

"Having disposed of my interest in The Record Publishing Company, my resignation as editor and general manager of the Daily Record, effective December 30th, 1911, has been tendered, and after to-day my connection with the paper will cease.

"Jas. A. Hoyt."

Educator Commits Suicide.

Mobile, Jan. 1.—Prof. C. O. Meux one of the most widely known educators in this section of the South and proprietor of Meux Business College, committed suicide in his office Sunday with a small pocket knife. He stabbed himself below the heart. The body was discovered by his wife.

Parson's Poem a Gem.

From Rev. H. Stubenvoll, Allison, Iowa, in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills:

"They're such a health necessity, in every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain, Use Dr. King's and be well again." Only 25c. at all druggists.

"DEAD MAN IN THIS HOUSE."

Sign Tells of Horrible Murder of Anderson Merchant.

Anderson, Dec. 30.—"There is a dead man in this house" were the words written on a small piece of paper tacked to the door of a small store near the city limits that attracted the attention of persons looking for D. Hutto, the proprietor. Investigation to-day resulted in the finding of Hutto's body with his head beaten in. He was last seen Monday, and it is probable he was killed that night. Robbery is thought to have been the motive of the killing, as the place had been ransacked. Who wrote the note is not known.

Nothing tangible developed at the inquest this afternoon investigating the horrible murder of David Hutto after several witnesses testified. The inquest was adjourned until Monday.

Two negro boys testified that they saw two young white men write and tack up a sign which was found by the officers on the front door of the store. The officers believe that the tacking of the sign was meant as a joke; that the young men tried several times to get into the store, and tiring in their efforts, wrote the sign and tacked it up.

The officers believe that the deed was committed by a negro and the motive was robbery.

It is evident that death resulted from the first blow, as the entire left side of Mr. Hutto's head was crushed. A good deal of interest is being generally manifested in the brutal murder and the investigation now being carried on by the coroner and the sheriff.

When buying a cough medicine for children bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is most effective for colds, croup and whooping cough and that it contains no harmful drug. For sale by all dealers.

"THREE MONTHS OR NOTHING."

Asked Judge for Three Months and Refused More.

New York, Dec. 31.—Louis Kruse, 45 years old, who says he is homeless, walked into the Gates Avenue court, Brooklyn, and, approaching Magistrate Voorhees, said:

"Your Honor, could you kindly send me away for three months? The winter is cold, and I would like to escape it. Three months from now I can get a job on a farm."

"I will give you six months," said the magistrate.

"I don't want six months, your Honor. I asked for three months," said Kruse.

"Well, it's six months or nothing," replied Magistrate Voorhees.

"Well, it will be nothing, then," said Kruse, as he turned and walked out of the court room.

POLITICAL AND PERSONAL.

To the Citizens and Voters of Walhalla:

In view of the nearness of the municipal election I feel that a statement of some facts concerning the same is due, both in justice to some citizens and to myself.

Some weeks ago I was urged by a number of business men and taxpayers to enter the race for Mayor of Walhalla, and this I declined to do, advising them that I felt it best that I should remain absolutely clear of any local political consideration whatever, at the same time naming several gentlemen, upon any one of whom I felt sure the citizens could safely agree as a proper person to head a ticket and insure the best possible government. There was found to be, however, considerable division, and I was asked the pointed question, "If elected, will you serve?" At that time there was no avowed candidate in the field, and I reluctantly consented to this latter proposition, feeling that, under the conditions referred to, I might be of service to the town.

Since that time, however, candidates have announced themselves, and I feel that, in the interest of harmony and unity, it is my duty to announce publicly, to one and all at the same time, that I am neither a candidate for the office of Mayor nor a place on a ticket as an Alderman; and at the same time I ask those who have expected me to accept the office of Mayor, if I should be settled upon as the one for whom it would be well to vote, not to cast a single vote for me.

For my own reasons, which are that I feel that as editor of The Keowee Courier I can best serve the town of Walhalla absolutely free from any local political tie, I must recede from the position I assumed when I consented to serve if the people might see fit to elect me. I have never been in the race as a candidate; I am out of it even as a possible choice.

In coming to this decision I have considered all phases of the situation and feel that it is best to relieve one and all of any obligation, however slight, that might have been felt, to support me. I appreciate the interest and confidence of those friends in me, and in relieving the situation of this much of the complication that has arisen I but do what seems to me the best.

I withdraw my name for even possible consideration willingly and gladly, and stand ready to support whomever the citizens of Walhalla shall indicate as their choice.

J. A. STECK.

PREPARING FOR 1912 WORK.

Meeting to Be Held January 6th at Westminster.

Editor Keowee Courier: Just a few words as to the boys' work in Oconee county. Capt. O. B. Martin, who is in charge of this work, has requested me to call a meeting, as early in January as possible, of all who are interested throughout the county, so I trust that we will have the co-operation of all classes, rich and poor, old and young, on Saturday next, the 6th, at 11 a. m. The boys' and girls' corn and cotton clubs will meet at Westminster school building. Capt. O. B. Martin, Prof. C. B. Harden and W. H. Barton have been invited to be present, and J. P. Stribling and the superintendent of education will be there. Some able speeches will be made.

If you get a good thing you must plan for it. I will do all I can for the encouragement of the work.

At this meeting it will be decided who will take this work in charge for 1912. I trust that all will bear in mind that 18 is the limit as to age. If you are 18 do not enter your name, because you are over age.

I trust the rising generation of Oconee will make it the banner county of Carolina. She bids fair for it now. Some of the leading counties are feeling the efforts that were made in 1911.

One hundred and eleven bushels of corn is hard to beat, but an Oconee man who cannot write his name has beat it. Mike Kiser, 60 years old, a tenant, cannot read a word. Under the assistance of the demonstration work he was able to harvest 129 bushels of corn from one acre of measured land—and it was measured corn.

Anderson county failed to say anything like that in 1911.

We hope to meet a large crowd at the meeting at Westminster. Do not forget Saturday next, the 6th.

M. G. Holland.

Marriages at Townville.

Townville, Jan. 1.—Special: Married, on December 24, 1911, at the home of the bride, by Rev. T. C. Ligon, Miss Ellen Cromer and Lee Hunt, the former of Anderson county, and the latter of Oconee.

Also, on December 27, 1911, at the home of the bride's father, J. J. Martin, by Rev. T. C. Ligon, Miss S. J. Martin and S. A. Wright, both of Anderson county.

We extend congratulations and best wishes to both these young couples.

Constipation is the cause of many ailments and disorders that make life miserable. Take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, keep your bowels regular and you will avoid these diseases. For sale by all dealers.

COUNTY UNION, FRIDAY, JAN. 12.

E. W. Dabbs, State President, Will Address Farmers of Oconee.

The Oconee County Farmers' Union is hereby called to meet at Walhalla Court House on Friday, January 12th, at 11 o'clock a. m. A full delegation from each local is requested, as this is the most important meeting of the year. Plans for the coming year will be made, and other business of importance will come before the meeting.

State President E. W. Dabbs will attend this meeting and will address the public at 11 a. m. sharp. The public is cordially invited and urged to attend. Immediately after the address the union will go into closed session, and continue in session until the transaction of business is finished. Every farmer in the county—union and non-union—is invited to attend this meeting.

A. H. Ellisen, President.
J. W. Alexander, Secretary.

Coneross Local Union.

Coneross Local Farmers' Union, No. 76, will meet at the regular place of meeting next Saturday, January 6, at 2 o'clock p. m. sharp. All members are urged to attend promptly. Business of importance will be transacted. W. H. Butler, President.
F. H. Burley, Secretary.

Farmers' Union Meeting.

Bounty Land Union will meet on Saturday, January 6th, at 10 o'clock a. m. All brethren are requested to be present, as there is some very important business to be transacted; also delegates to be elected to the county meeting. Don't forget the hour. Be there promptly at 10 o'clock.
M. M. Morris, Pres.
J. T. S. Hopkins, Secretary.

MAN HELD FOR BABY'S DEATH.

Cade Stokes, of Florence, Held for Criminal Carelessness.

Florence, Dec. 30.—The story of the little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Hutchinson of Edgingham, does not seem to have been told in the fulness of its terrible details.

At the inquest of the coroner it was brought out that the man who was so unfortunate as to be the means of the death of the little one was criminally careless.

The story as brought out at the inquest was that Cade Stokes, a young man of the neighborhood, was a visitor at the home of the Hutchinsons, and that, to scare and amuse the children, he took the shot out of a number of shells for a shotgun, and was shooting the blank shells at the children and making them jump.

It is well known by all who have had any instruction in the use of shells that a blank shell is dangerous, and possibly fatal, at a distance of twenty feet. In this instance Mr. Stokes, who had no intention in the world of doing even mischief, snapped the gun at one of the little girls, who had the baby in her arms, while almost in reach of her. The shot did not injure the girl, but the wad struck the infant and death resulted.

BURNED IN TRAIN WRECK.

Five Persons Killed and Score of Others Injured.

Aneta, North Dakota, Dec. 30.—Train No. 3, the "Oregonian," on the Great Northern, was derailed and at least five persons were killed and a score of others injured this morning near Sharon, Steele county. The fatalities occurred in the dining car and the bodies were burned by fire which started in the debris.

With the thermometer registering 12 below zero, the injured passengers and trainmen suffered before they could be given aid.

The general manager's car and the observation car were both transformed into temporary hospitals for the relief of the victims, while others were taken to farm houses.

Officials had given orders not to try to extricate corpses until the injured had been cared for, and the fire burned so briskly that the bodies were cremated before identification could be made.

Passengers are confident that the list of dead will be greater than now reported. Parts of bodies were scattered hundreds of feet.